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# SERBIA IS EXPECTED TO SEEK A COMPROMISE

## GREEK ASSEMBLY IS LIKELY TO REJECT BULGARIA'S DEMANDS

Outlook for the Allies in the Balkan States Causes Pessimism in London.

**GERMANS CONCENTRATING**  
Great Austro-German Offensive is Likely to Develop Any Time in Balkans.

**BERLIN, Aug. 16.**—Field Marshal von Mackensen continuing his pursuit of the retreating Russians from the South towards Brest-Litovsk has occupied Ciale and Slavayce, according to official announcement made by German army headquarters today. The army of Prince Leopold of Bavaria, pressing the Russians from the west, has occupied Losyca and Medzyrzec, the statement adds.

**LONDON, Aug. 16.**—Military operations in the eastern field are developing slowly. Both sides show the effects of the intensity of the Warsaw struggle. The German advance now centers on the efforts of Field Marshal von Hindenburg to force troops across the Dvina and eastward in the general direction of Petrograd, and the near approach of the army of Prince Leopold of Bavaria to the new Brest-Litovsk defense.

Notwithstanding the steady pressure of the Germans, the Russians have succeeded thus far in holding them west of the Dvina.

**Near Climax in Balkans.**  
The Balkan crisis is drawing near a climax. The national assemblies of Serbia and Greece meet today with the probability of a definite decision as regards Bulgaria's territorial demands upon which depends the question of united action of the Balkan states with the allies.

In the best posted quarters here the outlook is regarded with a degree of pessimism. It is expected Serbia will seek a compromise and Greece will reject the Bulgarian contention. Reports from Athens indicate that King Constantine is insisting the new cabinet must maintain strict neutrality, the effect of which would be to withhold Greece from participating in a plan of Balkan co-operation with the allies.

**Tentons Getting Feary.**  
In the meantime there are many evidences of Austro-German preparations to deal with the Balkan situation. According to information from Bucharest German army corps have been concentrated near the junction of Hungary, Roumania and Serbia. This with the bombardment of Belgrade and the activity of Austrian artillery along the Danube lends support to reports of a great Austro-German offensive in the Balkans.

Bulgarian officials do not expect an agreement will be reached but a Serbian minister in London, M. Boshkovitch, told the Associated Press he believed a middle ground would be found on which it will be possible to unite the Balkan states.

## FRENCH STATEMENT OF WAR OPERATIONS

**PARIS, Aug. 16.**—The French war office today gave out the following statement:  
"There was intermittent cannonading last night in the vicinity of Souchez and on the plateau of Nouvron. There were also engagements with bombs and hand grenades in the section of Quenevillers and in the western part of the Argonne. In the Vosges the explosion of a mine against an enemy trench made it possible for us to make some prisoners and to capture two bomb-throwers and a machine gun."

## HARDSHIPS

Are Experienced by Members of the American Mission at Van, Turkish Armenia.

**WASHINGTON, Aug. 16.**—Fifteen members of the American mission in Van, Turkish Armenia, who were present during the recent fighting in that vicinity have arrived in Tiflis, broken down from work and hardship, one of their number having died before they left. Consul Smith, at Tiflis today notified that the mission that a Mrs. Ussher had died in Van and that her husband is now dangerously ill in Tiflis. He teletyped said that while the other members of the little band of Americans are convalescent they are without money or proper clothing.

## MCDONALD ACQUITTED.

William McDonald, of Union Heights, has been acquitted in Magistrate R. Edward Kidd's court of a charge of violating the prohibition law by carrying whiskey from one house to another in that suburb and he has been released from jail.

## LUNACY HEARING.

The county court lunacy board began a hearing at 1:30 o'clock Monday afternoon in the case of U. G. Ferrell, aged 64 years, charged with insanity. Ferrell's home is at Union Heights.

## LUTHERANS

Are Planning to Hold Notable Services in Commemorating the Reformation.

**PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 16.**—Announcement is made here of the plans for the biennial convention of the general council of the Lutheran church in America, which will be held September 9-15, with sessions in Rock Island and Moline, Ill., and Davenport, Ia. This body of Lutherans is composed of thirteen district synods, with a combined membership of half a million communicants.

The women's federation of the general council of the Lutheran church of America will hold its convention at the same places at the same time. Both bodies will consider various problems that confront the evangelic church in America, and among other things, it is announced, arrangements will be considered for holding a series of notable services in 1917 to commemorate the four hundredth anniversary of the great reformation which gave the world Protestantism.

## SYLVIA PANKHURST

Refuses to Comply with the National Registry Regulations of Great Britain.

**LONDON, Aug. 16.**—Sylvia Pankhurst, famed as a militant suffragist, will not comply with the national registry regulations, she asserts. "I am not going to register. That's all I know about it," declared Miss Pankhurst at a meeting followed by a demonstration of East London suffragists. "For my part I think it only a ruse to get more power out of the workers. I am not a man; so they can't take me to war, but they won't let me to a munitions factory. They know there will be trouble. They pay two shillings, eight pence a dozen for soldiers' khaki shirts and men must fight for better conditions for women."

## MARINES DROWNED

When They Are Swept Off An American Warship in a Fierce Hurricane.

**WASHINGTON, Aug. 16.**—Twenty American marines were washed overboard from the battleship, New Hampshire, while the ship was sailing through the gulf hurricane somewhere south of the Florida coast. No damage to the New Hampshire or Louisiana was reported.

The marines were James Franklin Robinson and Burtie Wayne Ray. Robinson's mother, Mrs. W. A. Robinson, lives at 22 W. First street, Urichville, O. Ray's residence is given as Mississippi.

## CHOLERA INFANTUM

Causes the Death of Andrew Greenwood, Son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Greenwood.

Andrew, the eighteen months baby of Mr. and Mrs. James E. Greenwood, of Stuart addition died Sunday afternoon after a week's illness of cholera infantum. He was a general favorite among the people in the neighborhood and his bright little face will be much missed by all.

The body was taken to Butler, Pa., Monday morning where interment will be made Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Greenwood and son, James, Mrs. A. D. Shearer and Mrs. W. L. Umburn accompanied the body to Mrs. Greenwood's former home, where services will be held at the residence of her father, A. D. Shearer.

## NEW BANKER

Arrives in Clarksburg and Union National Banker is Happy.

At 7:45 o'clock Saturday evening during the local banking hours, a busy hour of the new banker was ushered into this world and one of the local institutions was short-handed. The new financier arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lucius Steven Lowther, at 224 Howard street, Broad Oaks and henceforth will be known to the banking world, his friends and relatives as Robert Steven Lowther. The youngster weighed eight pounds. Mother and babe are getting along nicely. Mr. Lowther, the happy father, is an employee of the Union National bank.

## GET A CHARTER.

The Brunswick, Inc., is a new company incorporated for the purpose of conducting a pool room and other places of amusement in the city of Clarksburg. The capital stock is \$5,000. The names of the incorporators are Fred Radford, William DeWitt, A. F. Radford, S. W. Cummins and A. C. Feaster.

## U. S. TROOPS ON BORDER HOLD MEXICAN BRIGANDS IN CHECK



Glimpses of U. S. army on Mexican border at Brownsville, Texas.

These are busy days for Uncle Sam's army on the Mexican border. Seventeen thousand troops are required to protect the people of Texas who live along the Rio Grande. Bands of Mexican brigands are continually crossing the line in search of loot, and the soldier boys are kept constantly on the alert.

## FIVE ARRESTED IN POLICE RAID

Serious Charges Are Lodged against Lloyd Duff and William Freeland.

As a result of a police raid on the home of Lloyd Duff on First street Sunday morning, Duff is charged with selling whiskey. William Freeland is in the county jail on charges of having whiskey in a public place and of giving whiskey to a minor. John Fuller is out \$6.60, Al Bowman is shy \$11.60, Norman Allen is out \$6.60, and Lloyd Duff and William Freeland are out \$2.00 and \$6.60 respectively, all the amounts being contributed into the city treasury when the men were arraigned before Mayor G. H. Gordon in police court Monday morning on charges of drunkenness and disorderly conduct.

According to the police, eighty-four pints of beer, six pints of whiskey and seven cartons of empty whiskey and beer bottles were found in the house. The police squad, which consisted of Officers McCloud, Sims and Gill, was armed with warrants for Freeland and Duff. The warrants were sworn out by J. H. Tenney deputy state commissioner of prohibition, in Magistrate R. Edward Kidd's court, where Duff and Freeland will be given hearings in a day or two.

When the police entered the house they found all five men engaged in an auto while Duff was driving. According to the story of the affair given out at the police department, Bowman was being badly beaten by Duff and his bloody countenance caused some little excitement among pedestrians who saw the police auto whizz through the streets on the return trip to headquarters.

Duff and Freeland were turned over to the county authorities, the former on the charge of selling whiskey and the latter on charges of having whiskey in a public place, and of giving whiskey to a minor. Duff was released on his personal recognizance for appearance before the magistrate when the trial comes up.

The warrant against Freeland was issued upon complaint of a man named Matheny, of industrial who alleges that Freeland gave him, young son a large quantity of whiskey at 9 o'clock on the Bridgeport interurban line Friday evening. Matheny alleges that his son became intoxicated to such a degree that it was necessary to bind him hand and foot to prevent him doing injury to himself.

Charges of drunkenness were lodged against John Fuller and Norman Allen and they were fined \$6.60 each by Mayor G. H. Gordon in police court. An additional charge of fighting was preferred against Bowman and he contributed a fine of \$11.60. After the men had been brought to headquarters, the police squad, this time accompanied by Chief Brooks, returned to the Duff home and confiscated the intoxicants.

## FOUND DEAD

After Using His Last Cartridge in Withstanding Siege of Constabulary.

**DUBLIN, Ireland, Aug. 16.**—David Johnston was found dead this morning beneath a window of his house in Lurgan county armagh, in which for two days he had withstood a siege of the constabulary. A bullet wound below his eye and an empty revolver clutched in his hand indicated he had used his last cartridge to cheat the police of their quarry. Johnston, who is believed to have been mentally irresponsible, precipitated the trouble on Saturday firing at registry enumerators who went to his home to deliver the official forms in connection with the national registration now under way.

## NEW SCHEDULE

Of Traction Company Designates Haywood Junction a Regular Stop.

Schedule No. 2, issued by the Monongahela Valley Traction Company for the government of its employees, went into effect Sunday morning one minute after midnight. It is a full arrangement showing no material changes from the old affair. Superintendent Bowman has incorporated some useful information to govern his men. The large table showing stations and passing points is well arranged. Also printed is a list of stations, a list of the sidings, their lengths and other information. The only change over the old schedule is that Haywood Junction is made a regular stop.

## APPOINTED TRUSTEE.

George R. Jackson, attorney, was appointed trustee of Knowles and Walsh, trading as the Metropolitan hotel, lunch and pool room, bankrupt, Monday by W. Frank Stout, referee in bankruptcy. A public sale of the property is to be held August 28 by the trustee.

## SENT TO JAIL.

In default of paying a fine of \$11.60 in police court after conviction on a charge of drunkenness and disorderly conduct, a man giving his name as Samuel Clegg was sent to county jail for ten days by Mayor G. H. Gordon Monday morning. Clegg was arrested in the East End Sunday afternoon by police officers.

## HANGS HIMSELF

Dunkard Minister Accused of Murder Commits Suicide in a Cell.

**SOUTH BEND, Ind., Aug. 16.**—Stiles N. Ebersole, a former Dunkard minister, held for the murder of fifteen-year-old Hazel Macklin in August 1914, committed suicide by hanging himself in the county jail this morning. Ebersole's body was found hanging to the iron bars in the rear of his cell by Turnkey R. G. Barkley early today and the indications were that he had been dead for several hours. The former preacher broke off a small lead pipe from a disinfectant apparatus in the hallway near his cell and twisted it about his neck and around the bars of the cell over his head. He had trussed himself with towels and blankets so that in his death struggles he would not be able to release himself from the pipe. Death was due to strangulation.

## IN CITY JAIL

William Davis Awaits Efforts of Friends to Secure His Freedom.

A man giving his name as William Davis is today a prisoner in the county jail, while his friends are endeavoring to raise \$4.90 to pay his fine. In order that he may gain his freedom. If the fine is not forthcoming by dusk this evening, Davis will be turned over to the county authorities for a ten days' sojourn in the county jail. Davis was arrested in the East End late Sunday afternoon by Officers Gill and Howe on a charge of drunkenness and disorderly conduct. He spent Sunday night in the city jail and was arraigned before Mayor G. H. Gordon in police court Monday morning.

## POLICE TAKE TWO

One Pays Fine of \$6.60, and Other Goes to Jail for Ten Days.

James McAtee paid a fine of \$6.60 and John Hupp was sentenced to ten days in the county jail in default of paying a fine of the same amount, when the two were arraigned before Mayor G. H. Gordon in police court Monday morning on charges of drunkenness and disorderly conduct. The two men were arrested late Sunday afternoon in the West End by Officers Davidson and L. L. White.

## CHOLERA APPEARS.

**GENEVA, via PARIS, Aug. 16.**—Asiatic cholera has appeared at Constat. Wurtemburg. An official notice says that only one case has developed, that of a German soldier on leave, who contracted the disease in India.

## RUSSIAN OFFICERS VIEW THE SITUATION WITH MORE OPTIMISM

**SCOUTING FOR MACHINE.**  
Archie A. Crawford, who has been absent from the city three weeks, the second of which he devoted to the annual convention of the grand aerie of Eagles at Spokane, is said to be scouring the Pacific coast in search of an aeroplane for fire fighting and especially to be used in locating fires which he claims is nearly such a machine. Mr. Crawford thinks it will be invaluable in case of false alarms.

## MANY AMERICANS

In the Canadian Military Contingent and More Than One Hundred Have Fallen.

**LONDON, Aug. 16.**—There are no fewer than 2,000 Americans in the Canadian military contingent, said Major General Hughes, Canadian minister of militia, at a meeting of Americans here last night. "I have already written letters of gratitude and sympathy," said General Hughes, "to mothers of more than a hundred American boys who have fallen while fighting in Flanders. More than 2,000 enlisted and we could have many more if we wished. Any number of West Point graduates offered their services as officers and some are now with us."

## MARRIAGE CERTIFICATE

Is Produced by Mr. and Mrs. Lightner Who Were Caught in Raid.

Anthony Lightner and wife, who were given a hearing Friday evening by Mayor G. H. Gordon on a charge of assembling for immoral purposes, along with two other persons Monday, produced a marriage certificate, was signed by the Rev. Archibald Moore and set forth that Anthony Lightner and Cora Styers were married by him at Oakland, Md., January 11, 1915. This fact was not known by the police at the time of a raid made on a questionable place, where, unfortunately, Mr. and Mrs. Lightner had innocently taken up light house-keeping. The marriage certificate emphasizes the couple's innocence. At the time of the raid the marriage certificate was locked up in a storage place and was not available then.

## MEMORY OF MAN

Can Not Go Back to Time When English Pound Was as Low As It is Today.

**NEW YORK, Aug. 16.**—The English pound sterling fell today to the lowest American value within the memory of man. Normally quoted at 4.85 in foreign exchange, it opened today at 4.67, a loss of two cents from Saturday's low record of 4.69. Greater demoralization was shown by the foreign exchange market at today's opening than ever recorded here before.

French money likewise was weaker than Saturday. Paris checked was quoted at 5.97 a weakening of seven cents over the Sunday holiday. At this rate it requires almost six francs to buy an American dollar.

## JAIL SENTENCE

Given One Man, and Two Others Pay Fines in City Police Court.

Police Officers McCloud, Sims and Ours went to the West End Sunday afternoon in response to a telephone call from a resident of that section, who said that three drunken men were creating a disturbance there, and arrested Selby, Burt and Albert McAtee, on charges of drunkenness and disorderly conduct. The two former paid fines of \$6.60 each in police court Monday morning, while Albert was sent to the county jail for ten days in default of paying a fine of the same amount.

## INCREASE APPROVED.

**WASHINGTON, Aug. 16.**—The Interstate Commerce Commission today approved an increase of twenty-five cents a ton on hard coal from the Pennsylvania mines to Chicago, Joliet, Kankakee, Peoria, St. Louis and other similar points of connection between eastern and western lines. The annual traffic is about 2,500,000 tons.

## JAILED FOR BOARD BILL.

James Daniel, a negro of Union Heights, was arrested and jailed Monday to await a hearing before Magistrate R. Edward Kidd on a charge of beating John Eaton, a negro of the same place, out of a board bill amounting to \$16. The case will be heard Tuesday.

Owing to Manner in Which Germans Have Been Checked at River Crossing.

## FURIOUS BATTLES TO COME

Renewal of German Offensive against Dvina Focuses Attention on Baltic Region.

**PETROGRAD, Aug. 16.**—The military situation is viewed by Russian army officers with a degree of optimism, owing to the manner in which the Germans have been checked at the crossing of the river Liewiez and Krana East of the Ilo-Lukow front, where the invaders lost 800 men in addition to a heavy toll of dead and wounded. Confidence is felt here that the Russians will be able to check any further eastward progress of the invaders.

Furious battles are looked for in the district between the Nurez and Narew rivers and at the crossings of the Bug. The immediate German objective is believed to be the double-tracked railroad which roughly parallels the present fighting line. This road is protected by dense forests and by the marshes of the region of the upper narrow. The apparent weakness of the German flanks has removed fear that the Russian army would be bottled up.

Russian military critics find it difficult to reconcile this evidence of weakness with German claims to diminished strength. The Russian theory that these claims are advanced for effect on the Balkan states. Renewal of the German offensive against the Dvina at Jacobstadt is focusing attention on the Baltic region.

## LICENSE

Is Necessary to Engage Lawfully in Real Estate Business in This State.

**FAIRMONT, Aug. 16.**—Charged with doing a general real estate business here without the necessary state license, William Menheim was arrested by Constable J. Frank Russell on a warrant issued by Judge McGraw and his case set for trial later. He gave bond for his appearance.

It is claimed that there are a number of real estate agents in this county who are doing business without licenses and that all will be prosecuted unless they speedily comply with the law in this respect.

## FIVE KILLED

When a Gelatine House is Demolished in Pennsylvania by An Explosion.

**EMPORIUM, Pa., Aug. 16.**—Five men were killed and a gelatine house of the Aetna Explosives Company's plant at Grove Run was completely demolished today by an explosion. Two other buildings nearby were damaged. The men, Joseph Strayer, Fred Haskins, Emory Haskins, Michael and Ossie Miller, were the only employees in the structure when the explosion occurred and the cause of the accident could not be determined.

## SPECIAL TERM.

Judge Raymond Maxwell will hold a special term of the circuit court here Thursday beginning at 9 o'clock a. m. All lawyers interested should remember the date.

## HOSTETTER JAILED

Whiskey Selling Is Charged by Deputy Commissioner of Prohibition.

Charged with selling whiskey Charles A. Hostetter is a prisoner in the county jail awaiting a hearing before Magistrate R. Kidd Thursday afternoon.

Hostetter was jailed Sunday morning by Police Officer McCloud, who was armed with the warrant sworn out by Deputy State Commissioner of Prohibition J. H. Tenney.

## DOOKIES TO MEET.

Tau temple No. 169 of the Dramatic Order of Knights of Khorassan will hold a meeting tonight in the Pythian hall on South Third street.

## IS CONVALESCING.

Mrs. H. A. Fernald, of Arbutus park, is convalescing after a brief, but severe illness.

## LUNACY WARRANT ISSUED.

A lunacy warrant has been issued against Max Mark, aged 57 years, who resides at Pinnickindick. He will be examined at 1:30 o'clock Tuesday afternoon by the county lunacy commission. Edward Sestins made the complaint.

## STEAMER SUNK.

**LONDON, Aug. 16.**—The Norwegian steamer Albia has been sunk by a submarine. Its crew was saved.